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SUBJECT: South Africa: Demarche Request for Donor Support for Humanitarian Crisis in Ethiopia, Somalia, and Kenya

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1. Senior Agricultural Attache provided reftel demarche points to South Africa's Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DICO), Directorate of the Horn of Africa and Indian Ocean Islands, Mr. Gabriel P. Setlhoke, Director.

2. Mr. Setlhoke accepted the demarche on behalf of DICO, but noted that his office is not directly responsible for responding to this specific request. Due to other commitments, the representative of the Office of Humanitarian Assistance was not available. The meeting was cordial and Mr. Setlhoke was very engaging. He expressed concern over the control of food delivered to Somalia, but also said that Kenya and Ethiopia have stable governments and thus should be able to take care of themselves.

3. Post will report any additional response provided by DICO.